

REMARKS

Allowed claims 61, 64-69, 73-76, 78-79, and 84 are pending in this Application. By this Amendment, claims 1-54, 56-60, 77, and 80-83 have been canceled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. No new matter is added. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The Applicant appreciates that the Office Action indicates that claims 61, 64-69, 73-76, 78-79, and 84 are allowed. By this Amendment, all rejected claims 1-54, 56-60, 77, and 80-83 have been canceled. Allowed claims 61, 64-69, 73-76, 78-79, and 84 remain pending.

I. Claims Define Patentable Subject Matter

The Office Action rejects claims 30-38, 49-54, 56-60, and 82-83 under 35 U.S.C. §101; rejects claims 1-7, 10-22, 25-35, 38-46, 49-54, 56-57, 60, 77, and 80-83 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Anvekar (U.S. Patent No. 6,603,968) in view of Molne (U.S. Patent No. 6,014,561), Ala-Luukko (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0050047), Joss (U.S. Patent No. 6,684,073), and Julin (U.S. Patent No. 6,212,372); and rejects claims 8-9, 23-24, 36-37, 47-48, and 58-59 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Anvekar in view of Molne, Ala-Luukko, Joss, Julin, and further in view of Berg (U.S. Patent No. 6,876,860).

All rejected claims 1-54, 56-60, 77, and 80-83 have been canceled, and thus, the rejections under §101 and §103(a) are now moot.

II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Prompt allowance of claims 61, 64-69, 73-76, 78-79, and 84 is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Attorney Dkt. No. 028327-00068.

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